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SIR JOHN WOLFE BARRY, K.C.B., in his speech at the half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Co. Limited, held in London last month, referred to two or three matters of more than passing interest to residents in the Far East. These were (1) the increasing cost of living in the Far East, particularly in the Straits Settlements, where the directors, after careful investigation, have found it necessary to substantially increase the remuneration of the staff (to the extent of £8,000 per annum) in that region "in order to fairly meet the new conditions" which have arisen in the last few years; (2) to the advances of £500,000 at 5 per cent. which the Eastern Extension and the Great Northern Telegraph Companies recently made to assist the Chinese Government in their endeavours to reorganise, improve and develop their telegraph and telephone services; (3) to wireless telegraph projects in the Far East; and (4) to the projected Imperial service of news telegrams to newspapers in the Far East. As regards the first subject, we need only remark on the statement that this increase in the cost of living in the Straits Settlements is of recent date—"in the last few years," the Chairman says. It leads one to wonder whether there is any relation between this rise in the cost of living and the adoption

of a gold standard of currency in the Straits, and it would be interesting to have some information on that point. The topic of the speech of special interest to Hongkong is that relating to the proposed establishment of a wireless telegraph station here. We regret to note that the Chairman was not able to add very much to what he told the shareholders of the Eastern Extension Company last November. Sir John then said that, by an arrangement with the British Government, the Company was establishing a wireless telegraph installation at their Keeling-Cocos station and were contemplating installations at Singapore and Hongkong, but details in connection with the licences for these installations had not at that time been definitely arranged with the British Government. More than six months have passed since that statement was made, and the details do not appear to be settled yet. It was mentioned by the Chairman at the shareholders' meeting in London last month that the public service of wireless telegrams at Keeling-Cocos was opened at the beginning of March, but "the negotiations with the British Government for extending the wireless service to the Company's Singapore, Hongkong and other suitable stations are still proceeding, and ought soon to be satisfactorily settled." In Hongkong it is the general opinion that the negotiations ought to have been settled long ago. What has been the cause of all the delay is not stated. Apparently the blame rests with the Government in London rather than with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., for if this Company showed any reluctance to provide the installation it is well known that there would be no difficulty in finding other British firms who would be glad of the opportunity. We can only trust that the Colony may not have much longer to wait for the news that negotiations have been settled and that the installation will be put in hand forthwith.

The Chinese cruiser *Haiwei* reached Gibraltar on May 27th, and arrived at Plymouth on June 4th.

Sunday's plague return showed seven cases and Monday's three, bringing the total for the year to 114.

Mr. E. W. Noel, who has been for many years in Kobe, has joined the firm of Noel, Murray & Co., Shanghai.

We have been informed by the American Consulate General that a telegram was received from Manila at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to the following effect: Typhoon or cyclone East of the Ladrone or Mariana Islands, direction unknown.

A wireless message from the R.M.S. *Empress of India*, sent at 10.00 p.m., Sunday, 11th June, when the vessel was 1,000 miles distant from Japan, advised all well and that the Commander expects to reach Yokohama at 6.00 a.m., Thursday, the 15th instant.

At the Magistracy yesterday a man was fined \$25 for throwing a brick at a Lodi. The Indian had gone to the assistance of a policeman, who, having made an arrest, was being made the subject of a very hostile demonstration by a crowd which threw stones at him. When the Indian went to his aid he was struck on the leg by a brick.

For stealing a quantity of rice which was probably worth about ten cents a coolie was yesterday at the Magistracy sentenced by Mr. J. R. Wood to seven days' imprisonment. What doubtless weighed with his Worship in dealing with the defendant so exemplarily was the fact that the man had a specially constructed pocket in his jacket in which he stowed the rice.

A shop coolie was yesterday commended by Mr. Wood at the Magistracy for his plucky conduct in going to the assistance of a woman who was attacked by a man attempting to rob her of her bangles. The affair took place on Connaught Road, and when the woman called out, the shop coolie saw the man twisting the woman's arm behind her and trying to pull off her bangles. He tackled the assailant, and was himself attacked by the robber, who used a knife. Though severely cut on the arm the coolie did not relinquish his hold and kept a grip of his man until a policeman took him in custody. The defendant was sentenced to six weeks for the attempted robbery and six weeks' hard labour for resisting legal arrest.

## Y.M.C.A. BUILDINGS FOR CHINA.

Mr. H. H. Hassey, of the firm of Shattuck & Hassey, architects, Chicago, is on a visit to the Far East in connection with the erection of Y.M.C.A. buildings in China, Japan, and the Philippines. It is stated that Hongkong is to have a new building both for European and Chinese branches; and Peking, Shanghai, Foochow and a number of other centres were also planning new buildings.

At Canton a sum of \$25,000 has been raised in order to secure a gift from America of three times that amount. The Foochow Association was offered (gold) \$45,000, for buildings upon condition that (Mex.) \$45,000, for suitable lots be guaranteed locally by June 1st. On the evening of June 1st a telegram was sent to New York stating that the people of Foochow had guaranteed the entire sum of (Mex.) \$45,000.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## CORONATION VISITORS.

LONDON, June 12th.  
Prince Cheng and suite have left Moscow en route for London, where they will represent the Emperor of China at the Coronation.

## MAGNIFICENT ASSEMBLAGE OF WARSHIPS.

LONDON, June 12th.  
The Japanese warships "Kurama" and "Tone," under Vice-Admiral Shimamura, have arrived at Portland, where a magnificent assemblage of warships is gathered prior to the Naval Review.

## FRANCE AND SPAIN IN MOROCCO.

LONDON, June 12th.  
A Tangier message states that the Spanish occupied Alcazar on Saturday and were well received.

The French newspapers continue the liveliest protests against the action of Spain and even foreshadow a temporary rupture in diplomatic relations.

## A MOORISH PROTEST.

LATES.  
A Madrid telegram states that the Moorish Government has protested against the Spanish occupation of Alcazar.

## THE SITUATION IN ALBANIA.

THE INFLUENCE OF FOREIGN OPINION ON TURKEY.

LONDON, June 12th.  
A Constantinople dispatch states that though foreign criticism of the Government policy regarding Albania was at the outset resented as "foreign intervention" it has produced a strong impression and the Turkish newspapers are moderating their language now in consideration of any reasonable demands from the Albanians.

[FROM THE "N. C. DAILY NEWS"]

## ITALIAN NATIONALITY.

SURVIVORS OF THE ENGLISH LEGION.

LONDON, June 6.  
Telegrams from Rome state that nine survivors of Garibaldi's English Legion were a prominent feature at the inauguration of the monument to Victor Emmanuel II. They carried the Union Jack, the only foreign flag present, and were heartily cheered.

King Victor Emmanuel III. inspected them, saluted the flag and shook hands with them.

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Committee of Sikh Temple	20
I. C. Dos Remedios & Co.	10
Rev. F. T. Johnson	10
Ramos & Ramos Cinematograph Co.	10
J. A. Young	10
C. Kitchin	5
S. C. MacNider	5
Rev. F. T. Johnson	5
Alfred Temperley	5
A. L. Shields	5
Allan Keith	5
P. Kuzer	5
W. H. Young	5
H. Taylor	5
C. M. Alport	5
F. M. Gutierrez	5
Fung Shiu Wa	5
Chan Yat Shan	5
A friend	5
Wong Kwok Wing	5
Lau Sun Lai	5
Poon I Cho	5
Chan Wing To	5
Leung Kwai Kai	5
Chu Chung Fong	5
Pan Man Hing	5
Wong To Ting	5
Chan Shiu Tsin	5
Chan Kang Woo	5
Ho Yip	5
Fung Ki Chuk	5

An Australian news item. A Chinaman named John Francis Watson was sentenced at the Northern Police Court to four months' imprisonment for the unlawful possession of opium.

The opium was discovered in a cavity in his wooden leg.

## SUPREME COURT.

Monday, June 12th.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

[BEFORE THE FULL COURT.]

APPEAL AGAINST A DECISION OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

The Full Court (their Honours Sir Francis Piggott, Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Gompertz, Puisne Judge) delivered its decision on the appeal in the action between Harrison Midwood (respondent) and the Robinson Piano Co. (appellants) on a question of security.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Hind (of Messrs. Denton & Hett), appeared for the appellants, and the respondent was represented by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, who was instructed by Mr. Lewis (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master).

The Chief Justice, in the course of his judgment, said there was something almost grotesque about this case, so large a net of procedure having woven itself round the questions in dispute between the parties. The defendant being in England, the plaintiff brought an action there. The defendant returned to Hongkong, where he carried on business, and the plaintiff came out to Hongkong and commenced another action here. He immediately got caught in the tangle of two principles of procedure, for he had brought two concurring suits which made him subject to certain orders, and he was a plaintiff normally resident out of the jurisdiction. Being only temporarily resident here he must give security for costs now the defendant wanted a commission to examine witnesses in England, and he thereupon applied for the security to be increased. The first question raised on the appeal was an important one—Whether the security for costs ought to be increased by the costs of the commission, which raised the whole practice with regard to the costs of commissions to examine witnesses abroad. Security for costs covered normally and usually costs of the action. That was to say, the costs which a man knew he was liable to pay if he lost, when he started an action, abnormal costs should not be included. His Lordship disallowed in this case the costs of some protracted negotiations for the settlement of the action. Now, the costs entailed by a commission were abnormal. The party applying had to finance the commission. He might, or he might not, get the costs allowed ultimately, but that would depend on circumstances. *Prima facie*, they were costs in the case, which meant that it was possible they might be disallowed on the application of the other party, and this followed from the nature of the application. A special case for the order had to be made out, and the party applied at his own risk. It seemed to his Lordship that it would entirely destroy the safeguard which having to find the expenses of the commission did undoubtedly afford, and would open the door to abuses if the defendant could get his commission and immediately afterwards compel the plaintiff to increase his security by this amount. Therefore the Chief Justice thought that these costs should not be included in the security. But where the plaintiff joined and agreed beforehand that the costs should be costs in the case, then the conditions under which the order was made had changed, and they fell into the general principle that they had become costs in the case with certainty, and therefore in this respect his Lordship's order was wrong. With regard to the other point, so strongly did he think that the equity of the case would be satisfied by making the shares the security, that he should have made the same order. But if a brother Judge thought it not equitable, if it did not appeal to him as equitable, his Lordship could not insist that it was equitable, and therefore he must acquiesce in other security being given, although he still thought it was. The costs of the appeal must be costs in the case. The Court was not prepared to decide that in no case could security other than money or bond be accepted by the Registrar.

Mr. Justice Gompertz said he agreed with the judgment of the learned Chief Justice. He desired, however, to express no opinion at present as to whether the defendant, who had applied for a commission, could properly ask that the plaintiff's security should be increased so as to cover its costs. The point did not actually come up for decision in this case, but it seemed to his Lordship that the anhorie might possibly support such an application for further security being made.

Mr. Pollock—I take it the judgment of the Court is that we are entitled to security for the full amount, and that the shares are not to be taken as security. With regard to the costs of this application, your Lordship ordered the costs to be costs in the case. Might I venture to apply to the Court that the taxed costs of this present application ought to be included in the amount of security to be put up?

The Chief Justice—I think it is inevitable. Mr. Alabaster—As your Lordship knows, the plaintiff in this case complied with an order of Court and then went home to England to attend the commission. I ask for time to comply with this order.

Mr. Pollock—Reasonable time must be given to communicate.

The Chief Justice—Yes, I think the solicitors had better agree to that.

Mr. Pollock—I would move formally that judgment be drawn up accordingly.

The Chief Justice—Yes, but the time is to be agreed upon.

## IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

ALLEGED BREACH OF COVENANT.

The hearing of the action was continued in which Frederick Reichmann of the Grand Hotel sued Mr. Mary Uechmann for damages for breach of covenant and sought for an injunction restraining her from carrying on the business of a hotel keeper at the Station Hotel, Kowloon.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr. H. C. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. Read & Harris (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) represented the defendant.

Mr. Potter, in continuing his address, referred to his Lordship to the decision he arrived at in the action between the I-T-M-Marine Insurance Co. and Wong Chuen Cho, and dealt with the argument in that case.

His Lordship said there was nothing to prevent the husband of the defendant from carrying on this hotel; there was nothing to prevent the wife from living in the hotel; and there was nothing to prevent the wife from helping in the hotel.

Mr. Potter said an injunction restraining the defendant would be of the greatest practical use to the plaintiff. The defendant had 25 years' experience. She was the lady who was running the hotel and doing the damage, and not the godown keeper. It was admitted in this case that the defendant was a person of great experience in hotel matters, and it was proved that she had a large business connection amongst the German community. And within six months of the sale of a hotel by her she was in fact negotiating with regard to the Station Hotel, as was proved by Mr. Ruttonjee, as far back as 1906. She was then contemplating taking that hotel when it was completed. With reference to the letter signed on the 18th November, which was used by the defendant to construe the covenant in the deed, there was one portion of that letter upon which Mr. Pollock had not laid emphasis. He submitted that this letter, as a matter of fact, really helped plaintiff in proving his case. The portion of the letter on which he relied to some extent read, "But it is only intended to prevent you from obtaining a licence yourself, or in conjunction with others." He submitted that "in conjunction with others," could only mean that if the defendant took part in a licensed business in the way they had proved her to be taking part, she was in fact breaking her agreement. It was the intention of the parties that Mrs. Uechmann should be debarred from taking a prominent part in the management of a business such as this, because it was well known to all the parties that if she did take a prominent part she would attract many customers.

His Lordship thought a case of suspicion was not sufficient, and although he did intend to give judgment on those lines, in deference to Mr. Potter's very strenuous argument, he proposed not to give judgment that day, but to write a judgment, and if he found it necessary to alter his opinion he might do so. He would let the parties know. Mr. Potter's argument was extremely forceful and strenuous, and his Lordship thought it required more consideration than he had already given it.

The hearing of the case was adjourned.

## BATHING ACCIDENT IN HONGKONG.

GOOD RESCUE WORK.

Bowring Canal was the scene of a bathing accident on Sunday morning, when some ten Chinese boys had stripped and were disporting themselves in the water. It is doubtful if any of them could swim, but all went well until two of them got out of their depth and sank. Immediately the alarm was raised. An employee in the Naval Yard named Lam Kau promptly jumped into the water and pulled out one of the boys, and in the meanwhile Dr. F. Kaw and Mr. A. Course, traffic superintendent of the tramway, who were within hearing of the cries of alarm, hurried to the banks of the Canal, where they commenced to work on the insensible boy. A few minutes later Police Sergeant Gerrard came on the scene and together they laboured to set up respiration for almost an hour before they saw their efforts rewarded with success. The boy was restored to consciousness, and proved to be little the worse for his misadventure. While this work was proceeding a youth named A. R. Samy jumped into the water and swam and dived until he caught sight of the missing boy. He was brought to the surface, but was beyond human aid.

## THE DERBY RUNNERS.

There were as many as 23 runners in the Derby. A private wire to Singapore gives the following list:—

1. Mr. J. B. Joel's Sunstar, 13/8, by Chaucer—B. Sore.  
2. Lord Derby's Stadfast, 100/8, by Chaucer—B. Sore.  
3. Capt. Forester's Royal Tender, 25/1, by Portmannon—Tender and True.

Also ran, Phryxus, Eton Boy, Callini, Pietri, Adam Bede, Bechelor's Hope, King William, Sobaki, Royal Eagle, Long Boat, Sydmon, Maat, Bannockburn, All Gold, Atmah, Tol D'or, Zornal, Bridge of Allan, Colt by Agatha—Chelys, Duke of Lancaster, Romeo, Normint, Allan Melton, Lysons and Shetland.

## RUMOURD GOLD FUND IN PERAK.

"An Ipoh telegram to the *Singapore Free Press* says:—A rumour is current that Mr. Foo Choon, the well-known Perak tin mine owner and capitalist, has 'struck it rich' on his gold-bearing land in Batang Padang district.

"Gold found in big lumps," says the report. Foo Choon Choon is now in Singapore. The gold found round Batang Padang is so far all alluvial.

## LOCAL SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS LEAGUE.

C.C.C. v. Y.M.C.A., played on Saturday and resulted as per scores:—

Hickling and Joesland beat Tappin and J. Braga 9-2.

Hickling and Joesland beat Lammert and Rose 10-1.

Hickling and Joesland beat Bass and E. Braga 9-2.

Storey and Williams beat Tappin and J. Braga 6-5.

Storey and Williams beat Lammert and Rose 7-4.

Storey and Williams beat Bass and E. Braga 7-4.

Vivess and Vivess beat Tappin and J. Braga 6-5.

Vivess and Vivess beat Bass and E. Braga 6-5.

Vivess and Vivess lost to Lammert and Rose 3-8.

Totals: Y.M.C.A., 65; C.C.C., 34.

## THE OPIUM CAMPAIGN IN YUNNAN.

A correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*, writing from Chaochung, says:—

A few years ago, in the spring time the plains and uplands were white with the beautiful poppy flower, and when one looked down from some hill on to a long stretch of poppyland in flower, it was like looking on a big field of snow which somehow had missed the hills and clung to the plains. Now all is changed, and instead of the dazzling white one sees long stretches of the golden mustard flowers. The sight is just as beautiful and much more comforting.

Many of the farmers are still hoping that in time the opium will come back again. In the Weining corner of Kweichow, where these notes are at present being written, opium can still be found. In a journey of a fortnight we came across a number of fields in full bloom. The officials are largely at the mercy of the farmers and these are as venial as usual. It must be stated, however, that the poppies of opium are found in places off the main roads as a rule and they are not numerous. They are, however, dangerous, for they keep alive in the hearts of the farmers a hope that before long some change in official régime will bring back the old days once more.

At Weining I was told that the rising in favour of opium at Pientan between Weining and Aushun, was at an end, and that the opium which was the cause of the trouble had all been rooted up. At last the officials of Kweichow have taken up the campaign in earnest and are doing what should have been done two years ago. Possibly the fact that Sir Alexander Ho-je is due there very soon may have something to do with their stern measures. For the sake of the people there should be a recognized uniform policy which is easily understood. To act in such a way as to lead the people to believe that the proclamations against poppy-growing are on a par with many other "face" proclamations is to sow the seed of great trouble which may result in the loss of many lives.

## THE STRAITS SHIPPING RING.

PEACE TERMS MADE IN LONDON.

SECRET REBATES ABANDONED.

A special London telegram to the *Straits Times* dated the 3rd inst. says:—

"Sir John Anderson, Governor of the Straits Settlements, in conference with shipowners representing the Shipping Ring, has successfully negotiated a settlement. 'It entails the ending, at December 31, 1911, of the special agreement with the big merchants under which they receive what is known as the 'secret rebate,' but all rebates in respect of cargoes shipped meanwhile will be paid, whether the shipper continues to support the Conference or not.

Thereafter, the agreement entered into will be subject to triennial revision, but at the end of every three years rebates on cargo shipped during the triennial period will be paid similarly to those during the current year, so that shippers will not lose even if they leave the Conference.

The Straits Freights and Steamships Ordinance will, in consequence of this agreement, be repealed. It is understood unofficially that the Conference will pay a lump sum to the big merchants as compensation for their loss of the 'secret rebate.' As far as we can judge, from the message of our special correspondent, says the *Straits Times*, the agreement arrived at should prove quite satisfactory. The 'secret rebate,' a special and peculiarly objectionable feature of the Straits Conference, disappears at the end of the current year.

The second portion of the message is not so clear, but the interpretation we place upon it is as follows:—

(1) The compact entered into by Sir John Anderson and the shipowners will be subject to triennial revision.

(2) The Conference will continue the system of deferred rebates, but will not have the right to withhold them in the event of an exporter seeking away, and shipping by a non-Conference steamer.

The latter interpretation is subject to correction on additional information. There does not seem to be much purpose in a deferred rebate which has no decisive, binding effect on the shipper, but it is possible that qualifying clauses have been inserted in the agreement to meet this objection.

## A CHINESE HONEYMOON.

We referred recently to a story told of an English girl, married to a Chinese student in London, who had accompanied her husband out to the far western capital, only to find that he had already been married before he left for England. The *Peking and Tientsin Times* now states that a report on the case has been received from Acting-Viceroy Wang Yen-wen of Szechuan. From this report it is gathered that the British Consul at Chengtu endeavoured to persuade the girl to return to England because she was not legally married under English law, or indeed, it would appear, under Chinese. Notwithstanding the Consul's exhortations, the girl expressed her determination to stay, and the Viceroy states that on the request of the British Consul, he himself ordered the girl to go back to England. Not even for the Viceroy of Szechuan, however, would she move, and his Excellency has accordingly telegraphed to the Warup for instructions. But what, short of sending down a regiment of soldiers, can even Peking effect in such a case?



PARIS LETTER.

[WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

Paris, May 19th.

FRENCH LITERATURE.

The opinion expressed recently that there are no books worth reading in France since the death of great authors is certainly not flattering to French literature. As it is impossible to recall the past, those who find fault with present-day novels are compelled to confine their reading to old authors. It is erroneous to conclude that there is no talent in the young and now blood of to-day; a different class of writers has sprung up who write in accordance with the tendency of the age. What cares the majority of the present generation for the works of old authors? Very little, if at all. True, there are some exceptions, as we shall see. Thus, the advanced school boy, whose reading is bounded by the works of Dumas père and Victor Hugo, would sing the praises equally of "Les Trois Mousquetaires" and "Les Misérables," while the omnivorous book-lover whose range of acquired fiction extends from Dumas to Pierre Loti, would confess that the Abbé Prévost, Victor Hugo, Stendhal, George Sand, Honoré de Balzac, and Gustave Flaubert have all in their turn held his imagination captive. Masterpieces they have all written in their day, and they represent so many literary gifts that can never die so long as the world is a world. Who can say which is the best French novel? To select one among them as uniting in a superior degree all the good qualities of fiction would be a task beyond the discriminating faculties of a Macaulay. Certainly the question is one which is not settled by an appeal to reason. If we prefer "Les Misérables" to "Madame Bovary" or "Monsieur Lescart," that is enough; we do not care to say why. And this can more readily be affirmed of fiction than of any other class of literature. Therefore, any attempt to establish a ladder of merit by public consent can only result in a dozen or more authors finding a place on the topmost rung.

The subject of the best work of fiction in the French language is one which continues to create a great deal of interest. Which is the best French novel? Which is the spurious masterpiece? are questions which have revealed a diversity of views. Newspapers and others have put the two questions to nearly all modern French intellectuals, with the result that many have wisely begged to be excused from committing themselves. A decisive answer has been forthcoming in only one or two cases. Taken on the whole, it seems that Flaubert, Balzac, and the Abbé Prévost are most in favour, Victor Hugo, Stendhal, George Sand, and Dumas père have a suffrage of some, and the claims of Pierre Loti and M. J. H. Rosny are among modern authors not overlooked. Strange to say, no mention is made of Henri Murger and Guy de Maupassant, while the name of Emile Zola is not even whispered! Spurious masterpieces are laid to the reckoning of Dumas fils, Chateaubriand, Honoré d'Urfé, M. Jean-Jacques Rousseau, and his disciple, Bernardin de Saint-Pierre.

We may be excused when M. Alfred Mézières the veteran Académicien, finds it extremely difficult to name the best French novel. The most pathetic, he thinks, is the Abbé Prévost's "Monsieur Lescart," the most romantic George Sand's "Mauprat." M. Rosny, the author of "La Vague Rouge," asks how one can be expected to choose between Balzac's "Père Goriot" and "Comme ils s'aiment," Stendhal's "Le Rouge et le Noir," Flaubert's "Madame Bovary," and a dozen others. Deputy Charles Renot declares "Les Trois Mousquetaires" the best novel—thus being alone in his preference for the cape and sword books of Alexandre Dumas. In the opinion of the historian Gilbert Auguste Thierry, "Les Misérables" stands alone, and adds that no novel of any other country equals that masterpiece of Victor Hugo. Madame Séverine shares the opinion of M. Thierry. It is a book which all hard-hearted and selfish persons should read, as it is a work that tends to alter their disposition. M. George Ohnet believes that the best French novel is probably "Le Père Goriot" by Balzac; he is equally favourable towards "Le Rouge et le Noir" by Stendhal. Contemporary writers should not be dissuaded, as Académiciens Henri Welschinger tells us; his choice of modern works fastens itself upon Pierre Loti's "Pêcheur d'Islande," "Le Cousin Bette" and "Monsieur Lescart" cannot be passed lightly over. M. Henry Kistomakers, the dramatist, like M. Léon Bailly, the director of "Intelligence," supports the claims of "Madame Bovary." M. Jules Huret, whose sketches of modern nations occupy a high place in contemporary French literature, has a decided preference for Flaubert's "Education Sentimentale," while Stendhal's "Chartreuse de Parme" is the favourite work of M. Pierre Milles, the well-known professor of declamation. Non-committal is M. Marcelle Tinayre, whose book "Maison du Pêcheur" is so popular. "There is no best French novel," she writes; "there are several with equal claims to admiration. Among living writers it seems to me that M. Rosny and his book 'La Vague Rouge' the best novel in a time when lying, infantile literature and a false simplicity are the fashion." M. Henri Rochefort declares that "the most human, the most ingenious, the best constructed novel of all is 'Les Liliens Dangereux' of Choderlos de Laclos, published in 1782. Modern literatures are not at all willing to name spurious French masterpieces; the general tenor of the replies is that there are so many that it is impossible to single out one for special mention. M. Rosny and his 'Les Trois Mousquetaires' by Chateaubriand a much over-rated

novel. M. Thierry makes an onslaught on "Le Drame aux Camélias" of Dumas fils, and M. Tinayre places it with Honoré d'Urfé's pastoral novel, "L'Astrée," among spurious French masterpieces. M. Bailly condemns J. J. Rousseau's "Nouvelle Héloïse," Bernardin de Saint-Pierre's idyll "Paul et Virginie" is described by M. Jourdain as the most spurious, pretentious, mis-shapen, and wearisome of books that have been given the title of masterpiece.

A SENSIBLE RECOVERY.

Everybody at Amiens in the North of France is talking of the strange event which occurred there a few days ago. A woman who had been dumb for the last six years—though her other senses were perfect—suddenly regained the use of her tongue during a thunderstorm which visited Amiens last week. She is now reported to be speaking once more without difficulty. All previous electrical treatment failed to take effect on her, strange to say.

PENNY POSTAGE.

Anglo-French penny postage is in sight; its realization is only a question of time. The only difficulty in the way of the new development is the making good of the loss—as loss there must be at first. The Minister of Finance is hopeful of finding a solution before long; the sooner the problem is solved the better it will be for the commercial world on both sides of the Channel.

PLAY BANNED.

The banning by the Archbishop of Paris of M. Gabriele d'Annunzio's new mystery play, "The Martyrdom of St. Sebastian," for which M. Claude Debussy has written the music, and which is to be produced next week at the Châtelet Theatre, has created a great sensation in theatrical circles and elsewhere. The Archbishop has issued a notice to his flock reminding them that at the last Diocesan Congress Catholics were earnestly advised not to attend theatrical performances offensive to Christian consciences, consequently Catholics are not to see the new play. As, however, religion now-a-days in France, and in Paris in particular, is next to a thing of the past, not many, it is expected, will abstain from the Châtelet Theatre. The Archbishop's recommendation clearly applies to the play in question, which is to put on the stage and disfigure the history of one of our most glorious martyrs. Notices regarding the play have been sent to all the Paris clergy, no doubt with a view to working up a "boom." The part of the Saint will be played by Mlle. Ida Rubinstein, who, according to the author, realises his dream of an interpreter. M. Debussy describes this young lady about whom he raves as "an extraordinary creature who incarnates the very type of ecstasy in the defence of faith as it has appeared for centuries to the imagination of artists and to the fervour of the devout, and who has just enough muscle necessary to support a drapery of contemplation and grief." All modern expressions have been rigorously excluded, nothing younger than 400 years being admitted. As Mlle. Rubinstein does not speak Italian the play has been written in French in octosyllabic verse.

MOROCCO.

The latest news from Morocco describe the situation at Fez most alarming, and the French readily credit this report now. They are prepared for the worse. These imprisoned in Fez are practically at the mercy of the rebels, which may account for the rumour that several Europeans have made common cause with the invaders, thus hoping for safety. Relief is urgently needed without doubt, as the gallant defenders can do very little more owing to scarcity of food and ammunition. Those who are coming to their help are bravely cutting their way through hostile tribes, and getting over the ground as quickly as circumstances will permit. If the Sultan, as reported, has abdicated in favour of his brother, thinking to avert further bloodshed, the situation will become more complicated than ever for France, and a new arrangement will have to be agreed to by the Powers. We ought soon to know the truth, whether the Europeans are still safe, or whether they have been massacred, as some say they have.

If this be the case, steps will have to be promptly taken accordingly. One fervently hopes that the gallant French rescuers will succeed in their difficult mission, and receive these imprisoned in Fez, and who are on the point of starvation and submission through no fault of their own.

OPEN-AIR THEATRES.

The open-air theatres in the neighbourhood of Paris are to be more numerous than ever this summer. Many of these open-air performances, or *café concerts*, by which name they are known, are done by the best artists, often embodying the finest manifestations of French histrionic talent, as is the case at Bohemian Montmartre.

THE CORONATION.

INVITATION TO VETERANS.

A Press communiqué states:—"His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India will on the part of the Government of India issue invitations to be present at the Coronation Durbars at Delhi to (1) veterans in possession of the medal for (a) the Sikh Wars (1845-49), (b) the Crimea (1854-56), (c) the Boer War (1895-97), (d) the Mutiny (1857-58), as invited to the Durbar of 1903; (2) Indian Officers on pension or active list who have performed a term of ordinary duty at the English court; (3) Indian officers and soldiers on pension or on the active list who are members of the Victorian Order or of any Indian Order. Those on the active list whose regiments will be at Delhi will not, of course, be invited. Those who are invited will receive their railway passages to and from Delhi and a suitable allowance for their maintenance while in camp at Delhi. Tents will be allotted to them and electric light and piped water will be laid on to their camp. The camp will be in charge of a small staff of military officers whose duty it will be to attend to the comfort of the guests.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

CEMENT TILE WORKS, LTD.

The seventh annual general meeting of the A. Butler Cement Tile Works, Ltd. was held recently at 121, Shaftesbury Road, Shanghai, there being present Messrs. A. W. Burkill (who presided), F. E. Schomr, C. R. Burkill, and C. W. Thomas.

In moving the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman said the directors greatly regretted the result of last year's working. As most of those present were intimately connected with the company, they could fully appreciate the reason of the falling off in profits. They could only hope that the present year would show signs of improvement and the building trade revive. They had had their fair share of the little work done during the past year, so could not complain on that point, and it was satisfactory to know that their manufactures were not losing ground. Turning to the accounts, it would be seen that plant and machinery and amount of building stood at a very low figure. As regards their stocks of finished products and raw material, there had been taken at a very low figure and sales made of them all showed a good profit. In view of the working of the company during the past year, the directors had waived their fees.

Mr. F. E. Schomr seconded the resolution, which was adopted.

The appointment of Mr. J. Ambrose as a director was confirmed, and Messrs. A. W. Burkill and C. W. Thomas were re-elected directors.

Mr. W. L. Wainman was re-elected auditor.

EASTERN EXTENSION TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The seventy-fifth half-yearly ordinary general meeting of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Limited, was held on 16th ult. at Elstree House, London, Sir John Wolfe Barry, K.C.B., presiding.

In the course of his customary statement the Chairman said:—"The gross receipts of the company for the half-year under review amounted, in round numbers, to £337,000, against £315,000 for the corresponding period of 1909, showing an increase of £22,000, which is satisfactory to find spread over the whole of the company's system. The working and other expenses amounted, in round numbers, to £215,000, against £214,000 for the corresponding period of 1909, showing an increase of £1,000. When I had the pleasure of meeting you six months ago I referred to the cost of living in the Far East, particularly in the Straits Settlements, having risen very considerably in the last few years, and stated that your directors had found it necessary, after a careful investigation of the present circumstances, to substantially increase the remuneration of the staff in that region in order to fairly meet the new conditions which had arisen. This additional remuneration amounts for nearly £8,000 of the increased expenditure under review, and as the special allowances granted to the staff towards the end of last year were made retrospective from Jan. 1, 1910, the amount (£8,000) represented twice instead of six months' special remuneration. The amount in the present accounts is consequently nearly double what it would have been under ordinary circumstances. Comparing the figures for the whole year, the net profit for the year 1910 was £70,000 more than in 1909."

You will have learned that the Eastern Extension and Great Northern Telegraph Companies have been able to assist the Chinese Government in their endeavours to reorganise, improve, and develop their telegraph and telephone services by advancing to them for these purposes £250,000 at 5 per cent. interest on account, and on the security of the moneys payable by the companies to the Imperial Chinese Telegraph Administration under their existing agreements. In meeting the Government's requirements and the directors have had in view not only the strengthening of the good relations which, happily, have so long existed between the Chinese Telegraph Administration and the Eastern Extension and Great Northern Companies, but also the material benefit which the expected improvement in the Chinese telegraph service would confer on their international cable service. The Eastern Company are assisting this company in making this advance, and the transaction will be shown in the next half-yearly accounts as a reserve fund investment.

At the last general meeting I referred to the wireless telegraph installation then in course of erection at the company's Keelung-Cocos station, to enable telegrams to be exchanged between passing ships and that remote place. The installation has since been completed, and the public service was opened on March 2nd last. So far the traffic has been rather disappointing, but as the facilities become better known and appreciated by the public and the public at large, and as the shipping trade develops, we trust that better results may be obtained. The negotiations with the British Government for extending the wireless service to the company's Singapore, Hongkong and other suitable stations are still proceeding, and ought soon to be satisfactorily settled.

When addressing the shareholders of the Eastern Company a year ago I mentioned that the Associated Companies had long been anxious to make some special arrangement whereby they could combine the facilities of the British Imperial news might be distributed throughout the whole of the Empire, so that our colonies and dependencies might be more in touch with the facts and ideas of the Mother Country. It was not an easy matter to bring about a practical scheme acceptable to everyone, and after much consideration and consultation with those interested in this important matter, we were able to begin a service by arrangement with Reuters Company. The arrangement enabled that agency to have the distribution of 150,000 words per annum of Imperial news at Aden, which place is en route to all the Eastern colonies and dependencies of Great Britain. I also mentioned that the news on the way to Aden, after being made use of at Gibraltar, Malta, and Egypt, was sent on to South Africa, and also supplied to the British possessions on the east and west coasts of the African continent. This news service has since been granted progress, and negotiations have been extended to Australia and the British colonies in the Far East, which negotiations it is hoped will soon be brought to a satisfactory termination. I now move the adoption of the report and accounts and the declaration of the dividend.

The Marquess of Tweeddale, K.T., seconded the resolution.

Replying to questions, the Chairman said the time had scarcely arrived even to consider the possibility of paying an increased dividend. He concurred in the tribute paid to the administration of the staff. With regard to the suggested bonus to the staff at the Coronation, the matter would have the consideration of the Board.

The motion was carried unanimously; the retiring directors (Mr. F. A. Bevan and the Hon. A. G. Brodrick) were re-elected; and a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman and directors and staff terminated the proceedings.

RUBBER ESTATES OF JOHORE (LIMITED).

The ordinary general meeting was held last month at the London Chamber of Commerce. Sir Frank A. Swettenham presided.

The representative of the agents and secretaries, Harrisons & Crossfield (Limited), read the notice calling the meeting. The Chairman moved the adoption of the report, and in the course of his address said:—"We will give you most satisfaction in the knowledge that the year will begin this year, and in a recent letter from Mr. Stewart (the acting manager) he says that he may be able to start the work this month. The rate of progress from this time forward will probably depend upon the rapidly with which it will be possible to educate a sufficient force of tappers to do the work skilfully without neglecting the weeding of the rest of the estate. We are in great hopes that our Tamil labour force will be largely increased this year, for this class of labour is the best and cheapest, and we are doing everything that is possible to attract Tamils to the estate. As pioneers of rubber planting in this part of Johore we have had to pay the penalties of all pioneers in a country of uninhabited forests. We brought to our work a large capital than I think has been at the disposal of any other Malayan company, and we have spent a very large sum in complying with the obligations we undertook. We planted 1,438 acres on the Gomal and Block 4 Estate, and we have planted 1,893 acres on Sungai Sonat and Block 3. These to whom we have sold the Gomal Estate undertook to plant a further 1,000 acres, and the North Labis Company undertook to plant the same quantity so that our undertaking, as original concessionaires, to plant 5,000 acres before May, 1914, will be satisfied next year. The company will then come into possession of 15,000 acres, with all the advantages of the concession."

THE JOHORE GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

Though we have faithfully performed, or arranged to perform, our part of the contract, we have not yet been able to obtain from the Johore Government grants for even the area to which we are already fully entitled. For more than 12 months we have been endeavoring to get these titles in order to satisfy our obligations to the Gomal and North Labis Companies, but up to the present the Johore Commissioner of Lands has, for reasons which we cannot understand, declined to give us grants in terms of the Sultan's concession. We ask for nothing more than these terms, and as we have already spent a large sum on surveys and have complied with our part of the contract, so far as at least 16,000 acres are concerned, we cannot understand what possible reason there can be for delaying the issue of the grants, or for expecting us to accept titles which do not clearly set out the special terms on which the concession was granted. We cannot obtain from the North Labis Company the shares to which we are entitled until we are able to transfer the land we have sold to them. You have had to wait a long time, but the area of dividends is now in sight, and so far as we can judge your patience will be rewarded. Mr. Arthur L. Lempard seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

KEPONG (MALAY) RUBBER ESTATES (LIMITED).

The annual general meeting was held at the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool-street, E.C., Sir Gordon Blennerhassett presiding.

The Chairman said that the issued capital now stood at £225,000, as compared with £222,500 at the end of 1909. The year's expenditure included new factories for curing their own rubber, in addition to new buildings for their manager and his assistant and two further sets of coolie-lines. They had finished up the year with a cash balance of £14,414. Their estimated output of rubber was 35,000lb., whereas the total amount sold was 46,358. In the course of the year they had planted 68 acres, and opened up another 60 acres, which, owing to the bad weather, they were unable to plant at the beginning of the year. Their land was a regular labour force of 376, which in addition to contract work, was sufficient to cope satisfactorily with the 723 acres now under cultivation, but not sufficient to develop the property as rapidly as they could wish. There were, however, two recruiting agents in the South of India, and shareholders could rely upon every effort being made to open up fresh ground as rapidly as possible.

They started the present year with an estimated output of 100,000lb. of rubber. They had sold 37,000 lb. at 6d. per lb., and he thought they could congratulate themselves, apart from whatever they might reckon the balance on the result. There were no pests in the way of deer, pigs, or other marauders, but, of course, like all other estates in Malaya, they had the fumes and white ants always with them more or less. In June last their manager reported that he did not think they need have any cause for alarm. All trees were carefully watched by the Kenosians, and whenever infection was detected immediate steps were taken to deal with it. Owing to an unusually severe cyclone last month, 40 trees were uprooted and 140 broken off at the top. Fortunately, precaution had been taken fully to insure not only against fire but also against tempest. 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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) and THURSDAY, the 14th and 15th June, 1911, at 10 a.m. each day, at H.M. NAVAL YARD, OLD AND SURPLUS NAVAL AND VICTUALLING STORES, comprising:—  
OLD AND SURPLUS NAVAL STORES:—ASH HOIST, VERTICAL ENGINES, DRILLING MACHINE, SCREWING MACHINE, HOSES, LAMPS and LANTERNS, TOOLS, OLD IRON and METAL, ELECTRIC CABLES, VICES, SWITCHES, HYDRAULIC JACK, COAL SACKS, CANVAS, RAGS, OLD FLAGE, OLD INDIA-RUBBER, OLD LEATHERS, CARPETS, MATTINGS, OLD BOARDS, FURNITURE, ROPE, &c., &c.  
OLD AND SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES:—OLD AND SURPLUS SEAMEN'S CLOTHING, PROVISIONS, Officers' Mess TRAPS, BLANKETS, and ELECTRO-PLATED ARTICLES and TABLE LINEN, IMPLEMENTS, Seamen's Mess UTENSILS, OAK STAVES, &c., &c.  
TERMS OF SALE:—As detailed in the Catalogue.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.  
Hongkong, 13th June, 1911. [820]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, in one of the Sheds of the Harbour Department Dock, situated near the BARRA JOSE HOUSE, in Macao, the Administrative Council of the Gunboat "PATRIA" will hold a Public Auction of the following Old and Surplus Articles:—ROPE, CANVAS, IRON, BRASS and ZINC SHEETS, KITCHEN UTENSILS and SUNDRY SHIP'S STORES.  
ALSO  
THE MACHINERY, BOILER and ACCESSORIES of a STEAM PINNACE. The Reserve Price of this Lot is \$500.00. Goods will be sold in suitable lots.  
Terms:—Cash on the fall of the hammer. Goods to be removed at once.  
Administrative Council of the Gunboat "PATRIA", Macao, 10th June, 1911.  
The Secretary and Treasurer, BAZILIO AUGUSTO DE ALMEIDA, Paymaster.  
Macao, 11th June, 1911. [821]

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FROZEN MUTTON,  
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Price list on application. [36]

## NEW CARTRIDGES.

BY popular English Manufacturers. In  
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SMOKELESS POWDERS and CHILLED  
SHOTS. From No. 10 to .55SG. at \$6, \$7 and  
\$7.50 per 100. SPORTING REQUISITES  
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Inspection invited.  
WM. SCHMIDT & Co.  
Hongkong, 26th October, 1905. [608]

## ILLUMINATION.

FOR SALE  
RED JAPANESE LANTERNS  
of approved size and  
CORONATION CANDLES  
of 63" long—burning for 4 to 44 hours.  
Prices without competition.  
Please send order early to avoid disappointment.  
GRACA & CO.  
PADDER ST. (Hongkong Hotel Building),  
[544]

## INTIMATIONS

## PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

ON and after 15th inst., the following  
additional Cars will be run:—

## WEEK DAYS:

7.15 A.M.  
3.15 P.M.  
8.10 P.M.  
10.00 P.M.  
10.30 P.M.  
11.00 P.M.  
11.30 P.M.

## SUNDAYS:

9.15 A.M.  
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10.00 P.M.  
10.30 P.M.  
11.00 P.M.  
11.30 P.M.

The Service between 7.30 A.M. and 8 A.M. on  
week days will be every quarter of an hour  
instead of every ten minutes.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1911. [788]

## GEO. FENWICK &amp; CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
the Postponed EXTRAORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of the above-named  
Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel,  
at 12 Noon, on SATURDAY, the 17th day of  
June, 1911, when the following Special  
Resolutions will be submitted:—

1. That Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., be  
wound up voluntarily.
2. That the partners in the firm of Messrs.  
Fenwick Smith, Seth and Fleming,  
of Hongkong, be appointed Liquidators with  
power for any one of them to exercise any  
of the powers of such Liquidators.

The above Resolutions if passed will require  
confirmation at a subsequent Extraordinary  
General Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
JOHN I. ANDREW,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 9th June, 1911. [812]

## WANTED

## WANTED.

BY a YOUNG LAD, fresh from School,  
employment as a Clerk; knows Short-  
hand and Typewriting. Moderate Salary to  
start with.  
Apply—  
H. B.,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1911. [787]

## WANTED.

AN ENERGETIC and EXPERIENCED  
CHINESE BROKER, who thoroughly  
understands the Sundry Goods Business. A  
Good Salary to a Capable Man.  
Apply in writing to  
"X."  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1911. [782]

## EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A Capable CHINESE with a good working  
knowledge of English desires employment.  
Satisfactory references as to character, &c.  
Apply—  
A. B. C.,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 17th May, 1911. [715]

## WANTED TO PURCHASE.

THE HULL of an IRON or STEEL  
VESSEL of about 400 tons gross  
register, in good preservation.  
Apply to—  
Box 61,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 9th June, 1911. [805]

## A LING &amp; CO.

## 19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

FURNITURE and PHOTO GOODS  
STORE.

Photographic Goods of every Description  
in Stock.

Developing and Printing Undertaken.  
Hongkong, 31st July, 1907 [609]

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## (MITSU BISHI CO.)

## COAL DEPARTMENT.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of TAKASIMA  
OCHI, MUTABE, YOSHINOTANI,  
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HONGKONG, HANKOW,  
Cable addresses for above: "YASAKI"  
Codes, AI, ABC 5th Ed., Western Union

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CHINKIANG: Messrs. GARRING & Co.  
MANILA: Messrs. MACDONALD & Co.  
SINGAPORE: Messrs. BORNHOLD & Co.

For Particulars, apply to  
Y. SHIBUYA,  
Manager,  
No. 2, Pedder Street, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1911. [63]

## AUCTIONS

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSES. HUGHES & HOUGH have  
received instructions to Sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION, On MONDAY,

the 19th day of June, 1911, at 3 o'clock in the  
afternoon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,  
Des Vaux Road Central (Corner  
of Ice House Street),

The following VERY VALUABLE  
LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at  
Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, viz:—

All these Two pieces or parcels of ground  
situate at Victoria and registered in  
the Land Office respectively as MARINE LOT  
No. 264 and MARINE LOT No. 265, together  
with the messuages thereon known as Nos. 22,  
23, 24, 25, Praya, Kennedy Town.

Annual Crown rent payable in respect of  
Marine Lot No. 264—\$182.00; and in respect of  
Marine Lot No. 265—\$208.00. Area, Marine Lot  
No. 264—16,351 square feet; Marine Lot  
No. 265—18,805 square feet or thereabouts.

Each of the above Lots are held for the  
unexpired residue of the term of 999 years  
commencing on the 24th day of June, 1887.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale  
apply to—  
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,  
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,  
or to  
MESSES. HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1911. [800]

## G. R.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of  
the letting by Public Auction Sale, to  
be held on MONDAY, the 19th day  
of June, 1911, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, by Order of  
His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot  
of CROWN LAND West of Pokfulam Road,  
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75  
years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN  
RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His  
MAJESTY THE KING, for one further term of  
75 years. [816]

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
Lot No. 188.	Between Nos. 187 & 189, and between Nos. 186 & 188, Praya Road.	0 0 10	74/10	218 5/00
(As per site plan.)				

## FOR SALE

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THE Business, Goodwill, Furniture, &c.,  
&c., &c., of THE BOMBAY HOUSE  
RESTAURANT, situated in good locality  
with promising prospect.  
Apply to—  
60, DES VAUX ROAD CENTRAL.  
Hongkong, 7th June, 1911. [794]

## HOTEL FOR SALE.

AT Coast Port; as a going concern.  
Proprietor retiring.  
For further Particulars apply to  
"HOTEL,"  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1911. [671]

## FOR SALE or TO LET.

"KENNIS" 76A, PEAK; SEVEN  
ROOMS, Large Verandahs;  
American heating apparatus installed, making  
the House dry and comfortable throughout the  
year; Vegetable and Flower Gardens, Croquet  
Lawn, 15 minutes' walk from Tram, 7 minutes  
from "Ricklehaw." One of the best situations at the  
Peak, Cool in Summer, Warm in Winter.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1911. [270]

## FOR SALE.

REMAINING Portions of MARINE  
LOTS 31 and 35, at PRAYA EAST.  
Approximate Area, 43,000 Square Feet.

TO BE LET OR SOLD  
IN LOTS TO SUIT TENANTS OR  
PURCHASERS.

## MARINE LOT

## No. 285

## EXTENSIVE WATER

## FRONTAGE, DEEP WATER.

Apply—  
G. FENWICK & Co., LTD.,  
ENGINEERS, &c.,  
PRAYA EAST, HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [111-112]

## ON SALE.

HONGKONG HANSARD REPORTS  
of the MEETINGS of the  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for the  
Session 1910.

Revised by THE MEMBERS.  
PRICE - - - \$3.  
DAILY PRESS OFFICE.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1911.

## ON SALE.

BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG  
WEEKLY PRESS, July to December,  
1910 With Index. Price \$7.50.  
On sale at the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"  
Office.  
Hongkong, 28th March, 1911

## TO LET

## TO LET.

9, MOUNTAIN VIEW (at present  
occupied by E. R. HALLIDAY, Esq.).  
From 1st May, 1911.  
10, MOUNTAIN VIEW.  
Apply—  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 4th April, 1911. [491]

## TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR of No. 4, Des Vaux Road  
CENTRAL.  
FOUR ROOMS on Ground Floor of College  
Chambers for Offices (2 minutes from Clock  
Tower). Can be let separately. Rent moderate.  
GODOWN in Masons Lane, good for  
storage of Wines and other Articles. Rent  
moderate.  
Apply to—  
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,  
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1911. [627]

## TO LET.

No. 3, CANTON VILLAS, Kowloon,  
From 1st August.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AGENCY CO., LTD.,  
Hongkong, 9th June, 1911. [304]

## TO LET.

TOP FLOOR, No. 6, Ice House Street,  
suitable for Office and/or Dwelling  
purpose.  
Apply—  
A. B. AVASIA,  
No. 1, Duddell Street.  
Hongkong, 9th June, 1911. [805]

## TO LET—NEAR CLOCK TOWER.

SEVERAL CONVENIENTLY  
SITUATED ROOMS, suitable for  
Offices, Ground and First Floor.  
Apply—  
Post Office Box 418.  
Hongkong, 9th May, 1911. [687]

## TO LET.

AN OFFICE in Alexandra Buildings  
Apply—  
A. S. WATSON & Co., LTD.  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1911. [799]

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 4, New Praya, Kennedy  
Town.  
Apply—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 1st June, 1911. [116]

## TO LET.

FLATS in Nathan Road.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES newly painted  
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NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS,  
Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate  
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Area 85,200 square feet with 255 feet Sea  
Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of  
Coal, Timber, &c.  
Apply to—  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.  
Hongkong, 14th February, 1911. [543]

## TO LET.

GODOWNS, 95 and 96, Praya East.

Apply—  
CHATEL & MODY.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1911. [121]

## TO LET.

NOS. 9 and 10, MACDONNELL ROAD.

FLAT in Blue Buildings, 4, Praya East.  
19, GODOWN ROAD.  
GODOWNS, To Let, at Blue Buildings.

4A, "GREGGAN," 39, THE PEAK.  
OFFICES in KING'S BUILDING, 4th Floor.  
GODOWNS, 151 to 155, PRAYA EAST.  
SEMI-EUROPEAN FLATS, Praya East,  
corner of Observation Place. The Trams stop  
at the door.

Also New EUROPEAN FLATS, adjoining  
the new Seaman's Institute, Praya East.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 10th June, 1911. [113]

## TO LET.

TWO OFFICES on 1st Floor of Hotel  
Mansions.  
Apply to—  
HENRY HUMPHREYS,  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 7th April, 1911. [575]

## TO BE LET.

No. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL  
(Shop), Opposite the Post Office.  
No. 24, D'AGUIAR STREET (Suitable  
for Godown, Etc.), All of which are at  
present occupied by VIENNA CAFE & Co., Ltd.  
For Particulars, Etc.,  
Apply to—  
YEE SANG FAT,  
Same Address.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1911. [362]

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 1st June, 1911. [114]

## TO LET.

OFFICES on Ground and First Floor in  
Chater Road. Very central position.  
WOODLANDS VILLA, West, 25,  
Seymour Road.

No. 9, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE  
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Hongkong, 31st May, 1911. [118]

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## THE CURSE OF SLEEPLESSNESS.

AN EASY METHOD OF OVERCOMING IT.  
Of all the subtle and depressing effects of heat, none is more trying to the resident in China than the way it disturbs sleep.

Even those who have never known what it is to lie with unclosed eyes, or to toss restlessly through the long night, have, nevertheless, some idea of what this suffering means when they see the haggard faces of their friends and hear the doleful voices of those who sleep and obtain rest. Those wretched are those who take bromides, chloral, morphia, or other deadly sleeping draughts, for in the long run, they ruin their digestion, shatter their nerves, and even destroy their brain.

Happily for the victims of insomnia, science, comes with a certain cure for its miseries. This is achieved by means of Sanatogen, the world-renowned tonic food with lasting effects. Its power as the greatest restorative and invigorating agent in nervous conditions is now a matter of common knowledge, and it is by reason of its action on the nervous system that it produces so powerful a result in insomnia.

Sanatogen feeds the nerves, and thus brings them to their normal state by supplying the vital element of phosphorus, which is used up in the display of every form of mental or physical energy.

### HOW INSOMNIA IS CAUSED.

Experience shows that in the period preceding the attack of sleeplessness, the individual has, invariably, been making overdrifts on the supply of phosphorus in his body, which in consequence of its diminished strength, is unable to make good this loss from the food which is ordinarily taken.

Phosphorus exercises an important sway over the life of the cells of which every portion of our body is made, and over the living chemical processes which go on within them, as Professor Tannicoff, of King's College, London, has pointed out. Moreover, as Sir William Gowers maintains, phosphorus notably increases the proportion of the red blood corpuscles in the blood. It can, therefore, be easily understood that when there is a lack of this vital element there is manifest diminution in the performance of the various functions.

The ordinary strain of life, coupled with the stress of the tropical climate, constantly depletes the supply of phosphorus, and imposes a strain on the nervous system. The restlessness produced by loss of sleep, and the additional nervous strain induced by the same means, still further accentuates this loss, and the other produces what doctors call a "vicious circle," and this causes an ever-increasing overdrift on the supply of phosphorus.

Sanatogen is composed of glycerophosphate of sodium, chemically combined with the body-building element of pure milk. The phosphorus in Sanatogen is, therefore, in the exact form in which it is found in the brain and nervous system. These organs are thus able to assimilate it, and utilise it with the greatest ease, to restore to the full the quantity of phosphorus which has been withdrawn from them.

### HOW INSOMNIA IS CURED.

Sanatogen thus strengthens the brain and nervous system generally. In doing this, it also removes the long list of nervous symptoms like depression, lassitude, disinclination for mental or bodily effort, impaired memory, and the fear of impending evil, to name a few of those which, sooner or later, follow, if indeed they do not precede, inability to sleep.

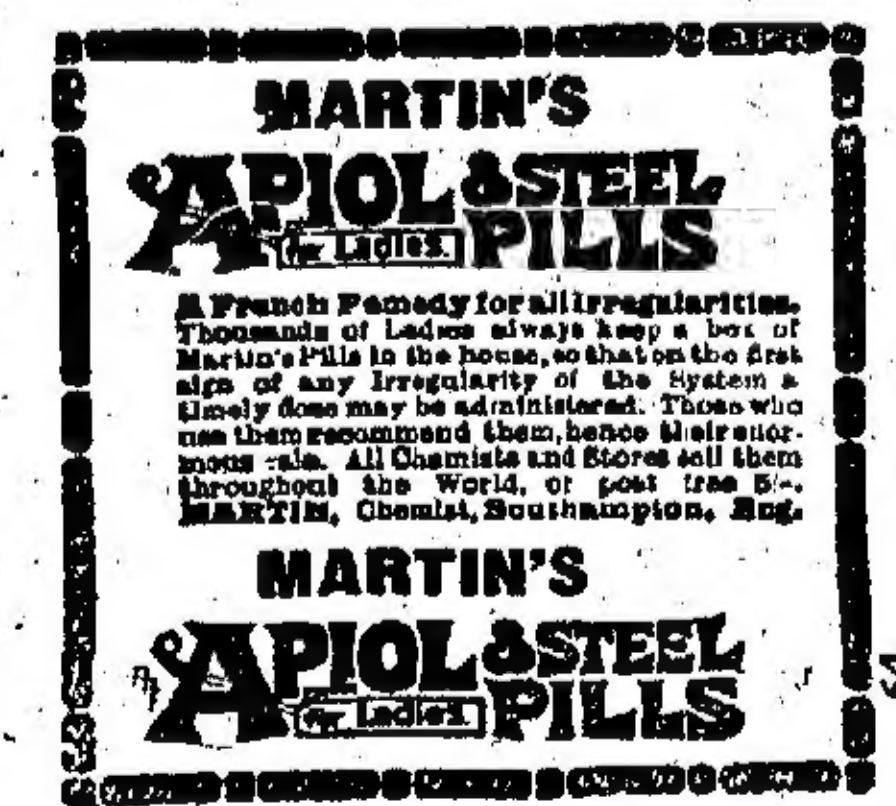
Sanatogen, however, does more than this. By restoring sleep, nature's chief means of resting and reinvigorating the brain and nervous system, it prevents nervous breakdown. If, on the other hand, people have been so unfortunate as to have broken down already, and are threatened with Neurasthenia, Sanatogen will restore them to health far more rapidly than anything else, giving them new strength, new force, new vigour and vitality.

Thousands of men and women have written that they have been cured of sleeplessness by Sanatogen. Lady Henry Somerset, the celebrated philanthropist, states: "Sanatogen undoubtedly restores sleep and invigorates the nerves, and it braces the patient to health."

The wife of a doctor and J. P. in Scotland writes: "My nervous system was so much impaired that I could not sleep without sedatives, and my appetite was quite gone. In fact I had a perfect distaste for anything in the shape of food. Many other remedies had been tried, but had little or no effect. At last my husband sent for Sanatogen, and the effect was marvellous. In the course of a week after taking Sanatogen I felt quite different. My nerves were soothed, and I required in a very short time no stimulants and sedatives."

Sanatogen's merits are endorsed by over 14,000 doctors, including ten physicians to crowned heads of Europe, among them being Dr. Olf, the late King Edward's physician in Marlborough. An exceedingly interesting pamphlet, "How to Keep Well in Tropical Climates," which contains further information on this subject, and on others of vital importance to all residents in China, will be sent, free on application, mentioning the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS," to Messrs. A. S. WATSON & CO., Hongkong, from whom also Sanatogen can be purchased.

Sanatogen may be obtained of all Chemists. [105-354]



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[BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN THE "DAILY MAIL"]

The growth of new industries in a country which was undeveloped 40 years ago, the stimulus given to trade by the activities of the State, and the great development of national undertakings and resources, such as railways, canals, forests, &c., have enabled the German Empire to check emigration and to keep its rapidly increasing population at home during the last two decades.

The pressing problems for the Government are: How long can Germany cope with the increase in the way that she has done hitherto and in what direction will she seek fresh outlets when the necessity for them can be no longer met by the creation of new channels of employment at home?

The population of the German Empire is increasing at the rate of a million a year. Between 1870 and 1905 it rose from 40,818,000 to 66,641,000. It now stands at over 65,000,000. At the same time, the density is still comparatively low, being 270.4 persons per square mile, as compared with 344 persons to the square mile in the United Kingdom, 528 to the square mile in Belgium, and 409 in Holland.

Assuming—rather arbitrarily, I must confess—that the empire could without congestion support a total population equal to the present ratio of Rhineland and Westphalia combined, giving 552 to the square mile, there would be room for an increase to 115 millions, or some 50 millions beyond the present figure, so that if the existing rate of multiplication continued, the growth of another 50 years or so could still be absorbed. Thirty years, however, are only a page in the life-history of a great and virile nation, and the statesmanship which did not look much further ahead would be lamentably wanting in discernment. Hence the question is being asked in Germany with increasing eagerness: "As outlets will be necessary sooner or later where shall they be found?"

### FUTURE PAN-GERMAN AMBITIONS.

The Pan-Germanic idea of the absorption of the Austrian part of the sister empire may be dismissed at once as chimerical. It is true that the population question is not nearly so acute there as in Germany. Austria, with its area of 115,900 square miles, has a density of 223 persons to the square mile, or 51 fewer than Germany, and the two countries together have a density of 267, while on the potential ratio of Rhineland and Westphalia they would give space for a population of 179 millions.

Here arises the question to what may otherwise be regarded by Germany as an attractive scheme. The Pan-Germans, who never yet faced hard facts seriously, ignore one fatal objection to their pet proposal for drawing together the German-speaking peoples. Of the 26 million or more inhabitants of the Austrian monarchy, only about a third are German by language, and a far smaller number are German by sentiment, while the remaining two-thirds are made up of at least a dozen races.

It is obvious, then, that the nationality difficulty alone would make any such accession of territory more dangerous for Germany than a Greek gift. For among the 26 million people are 45 million Poles, and a present Polish population of far less extent Germany has already in the East of Prussia a larger problem than it can digest; furthermore, the fact that the population of Austria is overwhelmingly Roman Catholic would greatly intensify the religious feuds in Germany. Nor would the absorption of Holland or Belgium or Switzerland, or all these three countries combined, help Germany one whit, for it is the population difficulty, even could one take seriously the mad half-stories as to German aspirations in those quarters.

### PRESENT COLONIAL HANDICAPS.

When we turn to Germany's colonial empire, we find that it is not only no opening for white colonisation on any save the most insignificant scale. The entire area of Germany's over-sea possessions is roughly a million square miles, of which over one-third fall to East Africa, about one-fifth to Cameroon, less than one-third to South-West Africa, and the rest to New Guinea and other islands of the Pacific. Against a native population estimated at some 13 millions, the whites number 25,000 at told, of whom 21,000 are German settlers, military, and Poles.

Owing to climatic reasons, the whole of these colonies save one are unsuited to colonisation by whites, and their value to Germany will therefore be limited to such wealth as can be derived from them by plantation culture, by mining, and by trade exchange. The single exception is South-West Africa. Portions of the central and southern hinterland of this colony offer a limited opportunity for farming on a large scale, though the colony is handicapped by lack of seaborne exports.

The outlook is not more favourable from Germany's standpoint when we consider the countries to which its emigrants have hitherto directed their attention, for there is no possibility of any territory belonging to these passing under German influence. For a long time a steady stream of emigration passed into Brazil and Argentina, where there are several strong German settlements. The number of German emigrants to Brazil alone probably falls little below 100,000, and natural growth has more than trebled this number, so that now there are whole districts in the south of the Republic which are quite German in life and language.

The German colonies in Brazil have, indeed, become so large as to be regarded for some reason as a menace to the State, and measures are said to be contemplated with a view to breaking down their influence. It is no doubt partly owing to the fact that German colonists in Brazil have outlived their welcome that the emigration to that country has of late fallen to small proportions; during the past five years not more than 1,300 Germans settled in the whole of Brazil.

### FUTURE OF ASIA MINOR.

If Germany is ever to be able to colonise territories for its own sake, instead of for the sake of other Powers, it will have to look in new directions, and the question arises: How far should England go in facilitating Germany's natural desire for more effective outlets than it is at present possessed of?

If, for example, the pressure of events should seem to urge Germany to seek relief in the direction of Asia Minor, would it not be a mistake on our part to stand in the way of any arrangement which that Power might be able to make with Turkey? It may be granted that if Germany wants territory for colonisation it might go much further without facing as wall. The Government of Mesopotamia alone, with its area of 143,250 square miles—an area exceeding by 11 per cent. that of the United Kingdom—offers an enormous field for colonisation, inasmuch as it has only nine persons to the square mile, making it by far the least densely populated part of Asia Minor.

While it is notorious that Germany's gaze has for a long time been turned towards Asia Minor, there has been no suggestion as yet of

territorial acquisition in that part of the Sultan's dominions, and hence it may be contended that it is premature to discuss a "deal" which may never come off. It is not premature, however, to recognise frankly and fully Germany's population difficulty and its need of outlets, and to abandon once and for ever the old attitude that the expansion abroad which is necessary and right for us is unnecessary and wrong for Germany. Such an attitude cannot possibly be held with wisdom, justice, or even safety towards a country which has given such hostages to the future as Germany; a country, moreover, with an ever-diminishing margin of space for its prolific population, and one whose economic development compels it, with the force of inexorable law, to work out its national salvation on industrial and commercial lines. Nor is it a defensible attitude for ourselves, seeing that all sane publicists are agreed that the motto of the British Empire needs more and more to be "Consolidation, not expansion."

### "HOUSE FULL" IN LONDON.

MORE PEOPLE THAN IT WAS BUILT TO HOLD.  
"If it is like this in May, what is it going to be like in June?"

Thus spoke a policeman in Piccadilly last month. He was holding up his hand with a weary air, says a London paper, and there stretched behind him, as far as the eye could see, a long line of omnibuses, taxicabs, and private carriages. The drivers of many of these peacefully contented that the far released brakes would warn them when it was time to move on. There is no room on the surface of London these days for the man in a hurry.

All this while there poured out of a side street a seemingly endless stream of motorcars. So the Piccadilly line stayed still for a couple of minutes, moved on again, and was caught two hundred yards further on, after the plan of that celebrated nursery game, "Oranges and Lemons."

NO ROOM TO WALK.  
An Egyptian representative inquired the cause of this congestion—worse than has been seen in the busiest part of any other year.

"There are more people in London than it was built to hold," was the answer given by a police official. "Here we have Piccadilly and the Strand fuller of traffic than they have been for years, and yet people must walk in the carriage way, because there is not room for them on the pavement."

An attempt to obtain any sort of conveyance along the Strand was foredoomed to despair. Taxicabs all had the flag down, omnibuses were packed tight, with people hanging on at every available point until removed by a cautious conductor. The only way, indeed, to get from Charing Cross to the Gaiety Theatre was to jump on an omnibus, ride on the step, for, say, six yards, until repelled by the conductor's inevitable "Full up!" and then jump off and wait for the next.

By far the quickest way from Charing Cross to Norfolk-street, at about tea-time yesterday was by the circuitous tube route, thus:—Charing Cross to Leicester-square (change). Leicester-square to Holborn (change). Holborn to Strand.

### TEA-SHOP QUEUES.

In almost all the tea-shops, when the theatres had dispersed their maddest crowds, not only was every table occupied, but there were anxious and hungry queues in the aisles between them. "We simply cannot do any more," said an exhausted manageress, "and where the OTHER people who are coming for the Coronation will get their meals I cannot think."

### "FROM THE TEMPLE OF HEAVEN."

#### THE LION DOG OF CHINA.

To the majority of Englishmen dogs are dearer than art, says the *Daily Telegraph*, and for one who likes caressing a rare piece of Chinese porcelain there are hundreds who prefer fondling a Pekingese spaniel. In Miss Mand Earl's attractive picture "From the Temple of Heaven," shown by the Berlin Photographic Company at 133, New Bond-street, we get a combination of nature and art appealing at once to connoisseurs and Philistines. Who will deny that this amusing little dog is not a work of art in itself? For many centuries the breed has been known in the Chinese Court, and the dogs may have served as models for the kylin of the Ming dynasty. Their introduction into England is unfortunately associated with a rather dark page in our history—the loss of the *Sumner* in the Opium War of 1860. Five of them were brought to England; one was presented to Queen Victoria and two were given to the late Duchess of Richmond, who established the famous "Goodwood strain" of Pekingese. Miss Earl's model is "Yen Chu of Newham," a prize-winner belonging to Mrs. Herbert Champion. It is posed against a piece of old blue brocade and beside a bronze vase of the Han period. Mr. Herbert Champion for his highest show of Twenty-first Century Dogs obtained certain observations on the "Ideal Lion Dog of China" from the pen of no less an authority than the late Dowager Empress Dowager. They will help us to appreciate Miss Earl's picture. "Let its face be black; let its forehead be shaggy; let its forehead be straight and low, like unto the brow of the Imperial harmony boxer. Let its eyes be large and luminous; let its nose be blue, like that of the emperor god of the Himmalehs. Let its feet be tufted with plantain leaf hair, that its footfalls may be soundless, and for its standard of pomp, let its tail rival the whiskers of the Tibetan yak . . . and for its colour, let it be that of a lion—and golden sable. Let it venerate its ancestors and deposit offerings in the canine cemetery of the Forbidden City every new moon. Let it comport itself with the dignity of a Duchess; let it learn to bite the foreign devil instantly. Let it be dainty in its food, so that it shall be known as a Royal and Imperial Dog by its fastidiousness. . . . For drink give it tea brewed from the spring beds of the shrub that groweth in the province of Harkow, without any milk; or milk of the antelope that pasture in the Imperial demesne, without any tea; or soup made from the nest of the sea swallow. Thus shall it preserve its integrity and respect."

Certain directions are given in case of illness, and the Empress-Dowager adds, rather sententiously: "But if it dies, then remember that man is not immortal, and thou, too, must die." Miss Mand Earl has, however, immortalised "Yen Chu of Newham."

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## THE GERMAN EMPEROR'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

The Times of the 26th ult. had the following

leading article on the visit of the German

Emperor to England.

Today we say farewell to the German

Emperor and Empress, and to the young

Princesses, who have been the guests of the King

and Queen since Monday last. We trust that they

have received from their stay in London as

much pleasure as they have given, for that,

beyond question, has been great and widespread.

Bright and genial weather, more like the May

of the poets than the May of common ex-

perience, has had for its counterpart a bright

and genial welcome offered to the Imperial

guests by all classes of English people. The

great ceremony of Tuesday, the main object

of the Emperor's journey, was carried

through under the best possible conditions and

it has been followed by entertainments in the

Palace and in the houses of prominent people,

bringing Their Majesties into friendly

contact with much that is best in English society

and with a number of our leading men. These

gatherings have been all the more enjoyable

since the visit, being private, was wholly without

State, and it must have been a pleasant change

for the Emperor, who at home is seldom out of

uniform, to wear civilian dress. He has taken

us as we are, in our habit as we live. He and

the Empress have had sight-seeing in plenty,

from the picture galleries and the Automobile

Club to the Strand and the Victoria and

Albert Memorial. They have been to the theatre, to

"command night" at the oldest of our play-

houses, where they saw a play famous in the

days of our grandfathers, acted by such a cast

as our grandfathers could never have brought

together. Swift motor-cars have taken them

to Windsor between 11 o'clock and dinner, and

enabled them both to honour the memory of

Queen Victoria and King Edward to enjoy

the glories of the revived glories of the

Castle at the same time, their eagerness to

see as much as the brief holiday allowed has

been equalled by the popular eagerness to see

and greet Their Majesties. Crowds have lined

the streets, and the cheers of the people have

been cordial and spontaneous. All have been

glad to welcome not only the Head of a great

nation, but the cousin of the King and the eldest

grandson of Queen Victoria.

Our English world is a good judge of

character. It knows that in William II. it

is receiving one of the most remarkable men of

his time. Of the tremendous forces which his

will ultimately control it does not think on

holiday occasions like this; but it consciously

admires his rare intelligence, his boundless

energy, and his unrivalled versatility. It knows

that this great potentate, so closely allied in

blood with ourselves, shares many of the tastes

and interests that are ours. Hence the ap-

proach of his intelligence and the warmth of the popular

welcome that has been accorded to the King's

visitors. Just now we are well prepared for

such a reception of Royal guests, for the year

of mourning is over, the Coronation is approach-

ing, and our thoughts are full of the King and

Queen. At such a time even politics, which

are commonly so near our hearts, or at least,

so much in our mouths, are being left to the

politicians while the public stands aside and

cheers the Royal visit. It is perhaps fortunate

that this year the Emperor's visit should

coincide with the Coronation, for thus we have

been able to have the Emperor and Empress

among us without any formality, and to give

them a chance of enjoying themselves, as we

hope and believe that they have done. May

we add, in words which are as far as possible

from a formal compliment, that the presence

and personality of the Emperor and Empress

and the charm of the young Princesses have made

a deep impression upon the people of London?

Even the roughest workman could hardly think

ill of an Emperor whose Empress radiates

simplicity and smiles. The brief visit is over,

but everybody hopes and believes that the in-

crease of mutual knowledge which it has brought

will carry with it an increase of friendship and

mutual esteem.

In this hope and belief we are encouraged by

the certainty that the Emperor and Empress

will be in London again, and that they will

be able to see us in our own homes, and

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## WAS REFUSED ADMISSION.

In spite of this assurance my restlessness grew, and I had not the courage to introduce myself to my friends in advance as the author of the 'New Overture.' I had forgotten to buy a ticket and was refused admission by the man at the door. Suddenly the fanning up of the orchestra grew louder and louder, and I thought I should have to miss the beginning of my work. In my anxiety I revealed myself to the man at the door as the composer of the 'New Overture,' and in this way succeeded in passing without a ticket. The Overture began; after the theme of the 'back' brass instruments had made its first heard with great emphasis, the 'red' Allegro theme started in which, as I have already mentioned, every fifth bar was interrupted by the drum-beat from the 'black' world. The fatal drum-beat, brutally hammered out, entirely deprived me of my senses. I heard my neighbours calculating the return of this effect; knowing the absolute correctness of their calculation, I suffered ten thousand tortures and became almost unconscious. At last I awoke from my nightmare when the Overture, to which I had declined to give what I considered a trite ending, came to a standstill most unexpectedly.

## THE MAN AT THE DOOR.

No phantom like these in Hoffmann's Tales could have succeeded in producing the extraordinary state in which I came to my senses on the end of the performance. I heard no exclamations of disapproval, no hissing, no remarks, not even laughter; all I saw was intense astonishment at such a strange occurrence, which impressed them, as it did me, like a horrible nightmare. Nothing, however, equalled the pain of coming face to face with the man at the door; the strange look he















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### POST OFFICE NOTICE

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

The *Yorck*, with the German Mail, left Singapore on Friday, the 9th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-day at 2.00 p.m.The *Dorflinger*, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-morrow.The *Manchuria*, with the American Mail, leaves Manila on Wednesday, the 14th inst. and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 16th inst.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hankow and Bangkok	Keong	Tuesday, 13th, 8.00 A.M.
Satow and Bangkok	Yee	Tuesday, 13th, 8.00 A.M.
Anay	Hong	Tuesday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Satow, Amoy and Foochow	Hsin	Tuesday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.
Kobe, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma	Seattle	Tuesday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Ischia	Tuesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Hakata	Tuesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Kobe and Yokohama	Fukuoka	Tuesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Satow and Tientsin	Chipsing	Tuesday, 13th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Tan	Tuesday, 13th, 3.00 P.M.

Haiphong	Hanoi	Wednesday, 14th, 9.00 A.M.
Satow, Amoy, Anping and Takao	Sanku	Wednesday, 14th, 9.00 A.M.
Sandakan	Mausang	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, and Fremantle	Taiwan	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Lokong	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Signal	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore	Hepang	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 14th, 1.15 P.M.
Moji, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Large Law	Wednesday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
Satow, Chefoo and Newchwang	Kwan	Wednesday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
Satow, Tientsin, Weihaiwei, and Tientsin	Waihou	Thursday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Satow	Helen	Thursday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.

EUROPE, A.C., India via Taitoria	Dorflinger	Registration 8.00 A.M.
Manila	Sui Tai	Letters 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Sui Tai	Thursday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Lokong	Thursday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Satow, Amoy and Foochow	Hsin	Friday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE

Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Yap, Maroon, Friedrich, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Samar, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Coblen	Friday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, Salina Cruz, Callao, Iquique, Valparaiso and Coronal	Hongkong Maru	Saturday, 17th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Persia	Saturday, 17th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Loong	Saturday, 17th, 1.00 P.M.

SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE

Haiphong	Sungliang	Sunday, 18th, 9.00 A.M.
Satow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tuesday, 20th, 10.00 A.M.

EUROPE, A.C., INDIA VIA TAITORIA (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to NOON. Extra Postage 10 cents.) Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

Keelung, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Shimoda, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle, Wash.	Inaba Maru	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Rubi	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Kaiyong	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Alaska Maru	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle	Aldenharn	Saturday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.

### COMMERCIAL.

### EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON:	June 12th.
Telegraphic Transfer	1.94
Bank Bills, on demand	1.93
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1.93
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1.93
Credit, at 4 months' sight	1.10
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1.10
ON PARIS:	
Bank Bills, on demand	229
Credit, at 4 months' sight	233
ON NEW YORK:	
Bank Bills, on demand	44
Credit, at 60 days' sight	45
ON BOHAI:	
Telegraphic Transfer	135
Bank, on demand	136
ON CALCUTTA:	
Telegraphic Transfer	135
Bank, on demand	136
ON SHANGHAI:	
Bank, at sight	74
Private, 30 days' sight	75
ON YOKOHAMA:	
On demand	83
ON MANILA:	
On demand	83
ON SINGAPORE:	
On demand	77
ON BATAVIA:	
On demand	108
ON HAIPHONG:	
On demand	14
ON BAIGON:	
On demand	1
ON BANGKOK:	
On demand	84
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.95
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tole	\$57.20
BAR SILVER, per oz.	24 1/2

### SUBSIDIARY COINS.

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Chinese	20 cents pieces, \$7.30 discount.
Chinese	10 " " \$7.65
Hongkong	20 " " \$7.28
Hongkong	10 " " \$7.45

### SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, JUNE 12TH, 1911.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
<b>BANKS.</b>				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$890, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$267, buyers
China Bank, Limited	50,000	\$12	all	\$9.
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$5	all	\$1.15.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$63, buyers
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 83.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	Tls. 10	all	\$4, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	all	Tls. 47.
Loan-Kung-Mow C. Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 57.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 22.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	26	\$23 1/2, buyers
<b>DOCKS AND WHARVES.</b>				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$48, buyers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$54, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$62	all	\$73, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 62.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	35,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 87.
<b>FERROCEMENT CO., LIMITED</b>	18,000	\$25	all	\$4.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$16	all	\$3 1/2, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$19.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$21.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	25	\$25, buyers
Manila Metropolitan Hotel Limited	8,000	Pa. 10	all	\$11, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	50,000	\$25	all	\$180, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$17.
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	37	\$7 1/2, buyers
<b>INSURANCES.</b>				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$177 1/2, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$119, buyers
China Trading Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$105.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$25, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	Tls. 156, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$815, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$192, buyers
<b>LANDS AND BUILDINGS.</b>				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$94.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$54, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$25, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 94.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$47.
<b>MINE.</b>				
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$700.
Reich Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$2, sellers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$12.
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$1, buyers
<b>RAFFINERIES.</b>				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$80.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$18.
<b>STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.</b>				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$104, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$19.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	\$50 1/2, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	67. sel. \$26.10
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,500,000	\$10	all	\$24.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$15.
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	all	\$25.
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$64, sellers
<b>BROKERS AND DISPENSARIES.</b>				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$9, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$5, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$5, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$5, div.
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ord.	\$10	\$4	\$10.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 fide	\$10	all	\$300.
<b>RUBBER.</b>				
Para Rubber in London				
Amount	Value	Interest	Quotation.	
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

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10 A.M.—Auction of Naval and Victualling Stores at Naval Yard.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Saturday, 17th June—Extraordinary General Meeting of Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, Noon.

Monday, 19th June—Auction of Crown Land at West of Pokfulam Road, by Public Works Dept. 3 P.M.

Monday, 19th June—Auction of Very Valuable Leasehold Property at Sales Rooms, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 3 P.M.

Saturday, 24th June—Extraordinary General Meeting of the National Bank of China, Ltd., 12.30 P.M.

### OPIUM.

May 16th.

Quotations are:—

Malwa New	\$2,250/2,300 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$2,320/2,350 "
Malwa Older	\$2,370/2,390 "
Malwa V. Old	\$2,420/2,450 "
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